

State Interoperability Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes
March 30, 2004

Chief Lowell Porter called the regular meeting of the State Interoperability Executive Committee to order at 1:35 on March 30, 2004 in the DIS Boardroom.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

Item: SIEC Interim Plan

The SIEC Interim Plan was presented to the SIEC for their consideration and adoption with a recommendation that once approved it should be forwarded to the ISB and Legislature. Motion was made to approve the Interim plan, forward to ISB and Legislation – **Motion unanimously approved.**

Item: SIEC Interoperability Plan (for 700 MHz) Section 6 of the Regional Plan for the use of the 700 MHz band was presented to the SIEC with a recommendation that the plan be approved as written and sent to the Regional Planning Committee for inclusion in their statewide plan.

Motion was made to adopt section 6 of the RPC plan and forward to the Planning Committee – **Motion carried unanimously.**

Item: Briefing on the Integrated Wireless Network: The SIEC was briefed about the federal government's beta test of their new Integrated Wireless Network (IWN) that is currently being installed in Western Washington. The federal government is collaborating with state and local government in this effort.

Item: SIEC Grant Application for local inventory and statewide strategic plan

DIS applied for a grant in behalf of the SIEC to fund the local government inventory and statewide strategic plan. The amount requested for both items was \$2.4M; the amount awarded was \$850,000. DIS will start work on a contract to secure funds, and RFP. Funds awarded by this grant are from the 20% state allowance from the Department of Homeland Security.

Item: Homeland Security Strategic Plan

The SIEC was briefed on the Washington State Department of the Military's new Homeland Security Strategic Plan. There are areas where the SIEC is expected to be involved.

Item: SIEC role in the state's Homeland Security Plan

The Homeland Security Strategic Plan identifies the SIEC in concert with DIS to be responsible for: Defining statewide interoperability standards and inventory of statewide systems; Resolve interoperability gaps, including both voice and data capability; Establish homeland security communications plan for both secure and non-secure means to communicate internally and externally with local, state and federal partners.

Item: Washington State Patrol Radio & Equipment Acquisition

The Washington State Patrol is seeking approval to purchase \$5,113,480 worth of radios and equipment. The WSP is planning to purchase 940 mobile radios and 400 portable radios, estimated in value of \$4,947,596. In addition to the purchase of radio equipment, the Patrol is seeking to purchase gateway devices, valued at \$165,884. These purchases will be made with part of the 20% state money from the Department of Homeland Security. Move to approve – purchase radios and gateway devices – **Motion carried unanimously.**

New Business:

Frequency management, SIEC staff and SAW Group was tasked with preparing an outline that describes the requirements of applying for a license from the FCC. What complications will narrow-banding have with this process? Roy Lum can organize.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 3:16. The next general meeting will be at 1:30 on June 9, 2004 in the DIS Boardroom.

Members Present:

Mary Corso, Washington State Fire Marshal
Stuart McKee, Department of Information Services
Tom Griffith, Washington State Emergency Managers Association
Lowell Porter, Washington State Patrol
Ken Irwin, Sheriff, Washington State Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs
Mike Doherty, Clallam County Commissioner

Alternates representing members of the group were:

Gummada Murthy for John Conrad, Department of Transportation
Gordon Tony for General Lowenberg, Military Department

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Hilzer

